RAILROAD NEWS.

Growth of Traffic Far Outstrips Increase of Facilities.

Such Has Been the Case With Roads for Years.

WILL EXPANSION END?

Statistics of Commerce Commission Are Serious.

Other Items of Interest in Railway Circles.

According to returns tabulated by the Interstate Commerce commission, the traffic of the railroads of the country has increased about 12 per cent each year for several years. In the same time the increase of the trackage facilities has increased only 2 per cent a year. Unless something is done to make the facilities keep pace with the gain in tonnage it is asserted that an end will be brought to industrial expansion and the prosperity of that an end will be brought to indus-trial expansion and the prosperity of the country will receive a serious set-

Revenue freight hauled by fourteen Revenue freight hauled by fourteen roads, whose tracks extend generally over all sections of the United States, increased from 512,020,000 tons in 1902 to 693,493,000 tons in 1908, or about 181,479,000 tons. This is an increase of 35.4 per cent, or an average for each of the four years of nearly 9

How the roads have increased their How the roads have increased their facilities for handling this increase of tonnage is shown by the fact that whereas they operated 64,256 miles in 1902, the increase in four years was 7,492 miles, or 11.6 per cent, as compared with a growth of 34.4 per cent in traffic. The total number of the fourteen appropriate the fourteen that the fourteen compared with the fourteen that the fact engines employed by the fourteen roads in question in 1902 was 14,727, while in 1906 it was 19,613, an increase of about 33 per cent. Freight car equipment increased in the same time from 491,013 to 600,156, or about

22 per cent.
During the last fiscal year it is estimated that the increase in traffic of these roads was in the neighborhood of 7.6 per cent, or a little less than the growth reported in the four years preceding. On the same basis the mileage operated by these roads increased by 4.2 per cent, all of which does not represent new construction. Locomofive equipment was increased about 11 per cent and the number of freight per cent.

What is most needed now, at least in the territory west of the Mississippi river, is the double tracking of all the great systems of roads. Their tonnage can no longer be handled expeditiously over single-tracke systems. It has been demonstrated abundantly in the last four years that in average crop years the traffic of the roads referred to is sufficient to swamp them com-pletely, and the congestion thus

Hungry As a Bear

1f. When Mealtime Comes, You Suffer From a Yes-Not Kind of Hunger You're a Dyspeptic.

How to Cure All Stomach Troubles.



A good many people get mad when you tell them they've got dyspepsia, but way down deep in their stomachs they know they

they know they've got it.

"I'd love to eat it, but I can't," is one kind of dyspepsia.

"I hate to think of it," is another kind. There are thousands of people kind. There are thousands of people today who hate their meals, and love them at the same time. They haven't them at the same time. They haven't that fine empty-hungry eat-everything in-sight kind of feeling which goes with every good strong healthy stomach. That's because they have dyspepsia, And then there are others whose mouths don't water at meal time or at any other time. They sit at the table and go through the motions, only because it's time to eat. These people, too, are dyspeptics.

Every possible kind of stomach trouble can be cured by taking something which will just take right hold of all the food in your stomach and digest it alone without the help of the stomach, and let the stomach take a rest.

Stuart's Ilyspepsia Tablets do this very thing. They are composed of the best digestive known to science, and are absolutely safe. One ingredient alone of one of these tablets will digest 3,000 grains of food! These tablets do exactly the work that a good healthy stomich does.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets cure all cases of dyspepsia indigestion burn-

caused adds immensely to the cost of operation, while the downward tendency of rates demands that the utmost economy be practiced.

A DECLINE IN TRAFFIC. Is Shown in Dun's Report for Month

of December.

According to Dun's reports the total gross earnings of all raliroads in the United States reporting for the first two weeks of December are \$9,310,810, a decrease of 8.2 per cent compared with the corresponding time last year.

While there is a fair movement of general freight, traffic in some leading products is reduced and this affects raliroad earnings in all sections of the country.

In the following table is given earnings of all United States roads reporting for the two weeks of December and the same roads for a like period in November; also the more complete reports for October and the two preceding months:

Gross earnings

Dec. 2 weeks.....\$ 9,310,810 *\$ 835,612 8.2 Nov. 2 weeks.... 10,329,510 *34,060 0.3 October 177,154,533 112,881,296 7.9 September 185,1501,449 114,119,262 9.4 August 196,745,966 116,931,871 11.3 *Loss. !Gain. With the

The small increase of 1.3 per cent on the southwestern group is due mostly to the falling off in the cotton movement in that section. The statement is printed below:

Y	Gross earnings			
	October-	1907.	Gain.	Pct.
1	Trunk, Eastern \$	37,088,559	\$ 2,611,093	7.6
r	Trunk, Western			10.9
Ш	Coal	10,321,073	1,115,606	12.1
31	Other Eastern	6,072,865	708,758	13.2
31	Central West Granger Southern	7,975,772	384,372	5.1
2	Granger	15,683,182	569,009	3.8
ч	Southern	24,557,987	2,685,358	12.8
2	Southwestern	22, 162, 351	286,710	1.3
2	Pacific	33,782,143	2,700,144	11.9
t	U. S. roads\$	77 151 500	\$12,981,296	7.9
8				1.7
8	Canadian		118,000 757,855	14.9
	Mexican	5,837,665	191,000	14.3
	Totals\$	100,027,198	\$13,967,141	7.9

GRANT COUNTY INTERESTED. Ulyses People Pulling For New Kansas and Texas Road.

Ulyses, Kan., Dec. 25.—I. G. Marshall and C. H. Binney were in attendance at the railroad meeting in Hugoton a few days ago and report a good interest shown by Stevens coun-ty people. The proposition submitted was to build a road from Garden City. Kan., through Hugoton, Guymon, Amarillo, and to some point on the Gulf of Mexico. Stevens county peo-ple have agreed to give \$2,000 per mile and donate \$250 on the survey which will be started as soon as preliminaries can be arranged. The men ty of money in sight to build and equip the road and that it will be put through to Guymon in a year. The president and vice president of the Kansas and Texas road are anxious to meet the people of Grant county in the near future and learn their attitude toward the road, and if we are interested there is good reason to believe that it will cross our territory. They have agreed to make a date with us within the next two weeks and want every one to come out and meet them. This seems to be a feasible and Can't Eat them. This seems to be a feasible scheme and surely the farmers here will lose nothing by taking a day off to come and hear what these people have to say. Due notice will be given of the meeting.

> TRAIN A SUCCESS. Katy Reports Increased Passenger

Traffic as Result. Erie, Kan., Dec. 25.—"Our passenger receipts are making a very satisfactory increase since the change in the time card." said Agent C. F. Smith of the M., K. & T. yesterday. Mr. Smith says that local travel over the M., K. & T. to Kansas City has been greatly stimulated and in addition, the Kansas City travel from St. Paul and several other towns is now Paul and several other towns is now coming here instead of going to Parsons and using the Neosho division as from the east, Packy will stay here a few days and then will go on to the coast and complete arrangements for the Nelson match, and also pick out training quarters.

It was expected that Bat Nelson

after the holidays. Among the candidates having excellent prospects for making the team is Jay Gould, who is a direct trip to the Nelson match, and also pick out training quarters.

It was expected that Bat Nelson

Moran in time to catch the Kansas City train from that place,

The new train gives an improved service to Erie, Kimball, Stark, Savonburg, Elsmore, Moran and Gas

WAITING FOR MACHINERY. Construction of Albuquerque Tie Plant Nearing Completion.

Albuquerque N. M., Dec. 25.—Practically all the construction work on the buildings for the \$150,000 tie prethe buildings for the \$150,000 tie pre-serving plant of the Santa Fe south of the city has been completed. A number of masons are at work finish-ing up the stone and brick work around the boilers and elsewhere. The boilers, however, are about installed and everything is ready for the plac-ing of the machinery in position. Some of the apparatus is now on the ground and more is on the way from the east and more is on the way from the east.
The track work is about finished.
D. Burkholter of Las Vegas, super-

intendent of the tle plant there prospective superintendent of the lo-cal plant, visited the scene of opera-tions yesterday.

GENERAL AGENT RESIGNS. Rumored That C. H. Ivers Will Go to an Eastern Road.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 25.—According to a report circulated this morning, C. H. Ivers, who for several years has been the general agent for the Kansas City Southern railroad at St. Louis, Mo., is to resign to accept service with one of the big trunk lines of the east. The report has it that H. A. Graber, now general agent at Pittsburg, Pa. will succeed Mr. Ivers

healthy stomach does.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets cure all cases of dyspepsia, indigestion, burning or irritation, loss of appetite, bloat, brash, belching, aversion to food, fermentation and gas on the stomach.

In the western territory.

Another Kansas City Southern change which is slated for the first of the year will be the appointment of James Morris to succeed Mr. Ivers in the western territory.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will make you feel "good" before and after each meal, and make your stomach strong and healthy again. They will make you happy.

Send us your name and address today and we will at once send you by mail a sample package, free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold at every drug store for 50c a box.

City.

Yale's Mascot Shot.

New Haven, Ct., Dec. 25.—Yale lost her baseball mascot when Slugger, the fierce buildog, owned by Captain Kinney of last year's baseball nine, was killed for nearly devouring ten-year-old Johnny Colgan, son of a druggist. Kinney left the dog with the janitor of one of the Yale dormitories, but Slugger got loose from his tether and went into the Colgan yard.

Blood Flows When the Little Fellow Boxes Nelson.

The Two Mix in a Furious Contest for Practice.

"BAT" ISSTUNG BADLY.

Handlers Had to Separate the Two in the Third.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 25.—That Abe Attell is still as vicious a punisher as he was in the days when he knocked out thirty-seven men in his fights as a youngster here, despite his present reputation as a tap-and-get-away fight-

reputation as a tap-and-get-away fight-er, was shown in his three-round try-out with Battling Nelson.

Attell started in on Nelson after he had had two previous boxing seances, and he continued trying out his fleet-ness, when suddenly he began to cut loose. He stung Nelson all over his face and body and in a few minutes had the Hegeswich fighter bleeding at had the Hegeswich fighter bleeding at the nose and mouth. Nelson, angered by the punishment, rushed in on Attell and tried to bet down his guard by sheer strength. The clever Hebrew peppered him the more, raining blows from all sides

He did not escape unscathed, how-ever, for Nelson once caught him with back bent over the ropes of the im-provised ring, bent down his guard and opened up a cut over Abe's eye. When the handlers finally parted them at the end of the third round blood was flowing freely down the faces of both men and each looked as though he would have liked a little more of the other's

The widespread interest that is being taken in Attell's fight with Moran was attested by the number of witnesses who saw yesterday's mix-up. Monte Attell furnished three rounds of exercise for his brother, and he was follow-ed by Kid Lewis, who took two rounds of jabbing and declared he had enough, prior to Nelson's turn.

BAT AND PACKIE TO MEET. Looks Like the Two Fighters Will Meet on February 22.

Chicago, Dec. 25.—The match be-tween Packy McFarland and Battling Nelson is likely to be clinched within a few days. Harry Gilmore, Packy's manager, received a wire from Nelson accepting Packy's challenge and terms for a match and also a letter from Jimmy Coffroth, the coast promoter, stating that he would offer a percentage or a purse for the meeting between Neison and McFarland to take place on Washington's birthday. Coffroth stated that the bout, if he stages it, will be of twenty-five rounds duration, just the distance that Packy duration, just the distance that Packy wants with Nelson. Packy is willing to take a chance with Nelson on a percentage basis, for it is certain that the bout would draw a big crowd, for Nelson's fights on the coast have all been good, and Packy's fame has spread so rapidly that the gold state sports consider him to be a great fighter.

But before any meeting with Nel-

fighter.

But before any meeting with Nelson, Packy has two bouts on hand. The match with Tommy Murphy, which is set for Boston on January 7, has been definitely closed and Packy will start east on December 28. After meeting Murphy, Packy will go over to Philadelphia and there take on Johnny Summers, the English lightweight, on January 15. This match has just been closed and Packy is tickled at the good schedule he has in the east, for it has been his desire to

It was expected that Bat Nelson City.

The passenger train which was transferred from the Neosho division to the Kansas City division last Sunday is an earlier train than the one transferred from this division to the Neosho division a few weeks ago. It arrives here at 10:42 a. m. The train is routed from Moran to Iola, Emporia and Junction City, and arrives at Moran in time to catch the Kansas difficulty in finding admirers of the stock yards boy to take the other half.

KARGER FOR BRESNAHAN. Stanley Robison Would Make Great

Swap for St. Louis Team. St. Louis, Dec. 25.—If it is really cor-rect that Stanley Robison can get Roger Bresnahan for Eddle Karger he should make the swap. The renowned catcher is pretty nearly the only player in the profession worth accepting for the celebrated left-hander.

During the summer months it looked as if Harry Niles would live and die in St. Louis—that Hedges might just as well go out of business as to part with

"Circus Harry."

He's gone, and figuring that Glade, a good, if underrated, pitcher, and Hemphill, a player who may come back, went with him, and that three very so-so veterans, at best, came in return. Niles certainly didn't bring very much. McAleer probably knew what he was doing when he made the swap. Fur-thermore, he will probably land higher up in 1998 than he did in 1907. This year his braves came sixth.

"Michigan is not going to Chicago to deliver an ultimatum to the western

Food Values. How much nourishment food furnishes the body, depends upon the condition of the stomach. Food is readily assimilated

when the digestion is aided occasionally with a dose or two of

Beecham's

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conference. The exact instructions given to Professor W. C. Bates, the Michigan representative, will not be given out. However, he goes with a great deal of discretion concerning certain features which Michigan wants.

"Michigan would like a seven game schedule, training table and the repeal of the retroactive rule. Minnesota, Chicago and Wisconsin would like to see the same changes.

the same changes.

"In my opinion the conference will not accomplish much at the meeting on January 4. Beyond considering the seven game schedule, I do not think much will be done. The conference is not absolute in itself and can only recommend.

BOTH MEN IN SHAPE.

Hugo Kelly and Billy Papke Considered Evenly Matched.
Chicago, Dec. 25.—Hugo Kelly and Billy Papke, slated for their one most important battle at Milwaukee next Monday night, are both reported in good condition. When the bout was first hitched up there was a rush of first hitched up there was a rush of popular opinion in favor of Papke, The sensational youngster was touted as invincible, and it was freely assert-ed that Kelly would be just as easy for him as Caponi, Martin or Suillivan. Of late this feeling has died away. and calm thinkers are figuring that Kelly's experience, coolness and all-around skill will be too much for the vounger boxer

When the Papke crowd comes up to the ringside this feeling will again meet strong contradiction, and the men will probably enter the ring at

even money.

There is absolutely no similarity to There is absolutely no similarity to the fighting styles of Paqke and Kelly—they work along different lines in every detail. Kelly, in attack, is methodical, yet fast; in defense is wary, yet watchful for a chance to send in sudden counters. Papke has never had much experience in resisting attack. He has always fought on ing attack. He has always fought on the aggressive, and his style—a fierce rush and a series of short uppercuts— has never been tested against such a man as Kelly. For that matter, Kelly has never

been attacked by any one using the methods of Papke. All these things make the battle doubly dubious and twice as exciting.

COUNTED A STAR FULL-BACK. DeWitt of Spokane Is Expected
Make Princeton Eleven.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 25.—Eastern college men who witnessed the work of Wallace DeWitt, fullback for the Spokane high-school team, champions of the northwest during the season of the northwest during the season just closed, predict when he enters Princeton next fall that he will prove a worthy successor to his cousin, John R. DeWitt, who won the game for Princeton against Yale in 1903.

Wallace DeWitt is 18 years old, weighs 171 pounds and stands within a fraction of six feet. He has been picked by experts as the fullback for the all star high school team of the the all star high school team of the Pacific states. He was good for one goal from the field in each of the two championship games in which the Spokane team competed and he show ed himself a strong line bucker and capable in defensive and all-around play. He kicked from two to four

goals in other games. He averaged forty-four and a half yards in eighteen kicks in two games with Butte and Seattle and in the Seattle game he-dropped the leather over the cross bar from placement, the only score made in sixty minutes of the fastest play ever seen in a field in the parthwest. in the northwest

Kaufmann Turus Down Barry. Los Angeles, Dec. 25.—Efforts

the coast boxing promoters to match Al Kaufmann with Jim Barry for a out here next month have availed nothing, the Californian has refused to meet Barry. Kaufmann seems will-ing to content himself with short distance affairs in the east, and expects to remain along the Atlantic during

Jay Gould to Play Ball.

New York, Dec. 25.—Tommy Cor-coran, the veteran infielder, who will toach the Columbia university baseball candidates, has some excellent material for next season's team and will begin work in the cage shortly after the holidays. Among the candi- ent to make the gathering complete.

Once a month about one-half gill of kerosene should be injected into the cylinders and the engine turned over by hand a few times to wash the burn-ed lubricating oil from the piston and rings. It can be injected through the compression relief cocks or by remov-ing the spark plugs.

Backed by an organization having a membership of 25,000 known as the Knights of the Golden Chain, Charles W. Thatcher is touring the country arousing interest in the construction of a highway from New York to San Francisco for the use of both automobiles and horse-drawn vehicles. Encouraged by the success attending

the use of a six-ton electrical truck for hauling coal at its mines at Sheboygan, Wis., the C. Reiss Coal company, one of the largest coal companies of the country, has decided to install similar tracks at its branch docks at several great lake points for retail or local de

The town of Ayer, Mass., has appeal ed to the superior court of that state a suit won by a motorist who recovered damages for injuries done to his car by sinking ten inches into a sandy street. The decision will settle finally whether or not an automobile has the ame rights to a highway as a horse-

drawn vehicle. Paradoxical as it may seem, the headlight is just as necessary on a moon-light night as on a dark one. An exam-ination of serious automobile accidents in the past year shows that over 100 happened at night, half of these when

THIS IS MICHIGAN'S POSITION.

Wants Seven Football Games and Training Table for Players.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 25.—Professor George W. Paterson, chairman of the board of control, in an interview defined Michigan's position at the conference to be held in Chicago on January 4. He said:

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"Michigan is not going to Chicago to deliver an ultimatum to the western defined in the conference of the moon was shining brightly. Of these when the moon was shining brightly. Of these probably twenty-five were brought on by optical illusions caused by the moon's deceptive light.

Plans are under way for the building into outside of Philadelphia of a motordrome similar to, but an improvement upon, the famous Brooklands in track is contemplated, 100 feet wide, except at the turns, which will have a width of 125 feet. The cost is estimated to the work of the moon's deceptive light.

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Plans are under way for the building into outside of Philadelphia of a motordrome similar to, but an improvement upon, the famous Brooklands in the conference of the moon's d width of 125 feet. The cost is estimated at \$500,000 and promises are made that it will be completed by June.

During the month of September Italian touring and automobile clubs will hold a series of trials for commercial vehicles, under the patronage of the war office, and the ministry of agriculture will conduct a contest for agriculture.

> ly that the postmaster general will thoroughly try out a number of vehicles designed for carrying mails. Since 1900 it has been known that both pure and denatured alcohol could be used for internal combustion engines with satisfactory results, but it has been left to the Paris municipal omni-buses to publicly demonstrate its val-ues. The service was inaugurated June 11, 1906, and up to date 2,231,000 miles have been covered entirely on 50 per cent denatured alcohol, at an estimated saving of over \$80,000 over gasoline.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Challiss Came to Atchison in 1856.

home of J. M. Challiss, on North River Terrace, of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Challiss, and of his brothers and W. L. Challiss, and of his brothers and sisters from all parts of the country. The reunion will be unusual because of the distance traveled by children and parents to get here; it will be held in the old home in which many of them were born, and the family is many times larger than families of the present day. Few parents have as many children, and the number is lamentably smaller of those parents who can bly smaller of those parents who can look back after fifty-seven years of married life, and find the family circle

still unbroken.

Those attending the reunion are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Challiss and their daughter, Mrs. Blanche Dekker, of Toledo, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Challiss, of Greely, Colo.; Mrs. Daisy Faust, of Philadelphia, a little girl with a desire to paint and become a big artist when she left Atchlson and now a very sucshe left Atchlson, and now a very successful practicing physician; Mrs. John A. Martin, of Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Rogers, of Kansas City; Mrs. J. F. Donald, of Erid, Oklahoma, and J. M. Challiss, of Atchison. Mrs. Dora Bennett, of Toledo, is sick, and unable to come, and neither Mrs. Millie Dekker, nor Ralph Challiss, of Adrian, Mich.,

will be here.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Challiss came to Atchison in 1855 when there was no town here, and lived here until five or six years ago, when they followed their children to Adrian, Mich., making that city their home until within the past year or so when they removed with their daughter, Mrs. Dora Bennett, to Toledo, Ohio. Their long residence here had made this home so dear to them that when it was proposed to have a family reunion they urged that it be held in the old home in Atchison now occupied by their son Jim.

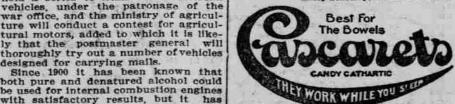
Dr. and Mrs. Challiss are charter members of the Baptist church, and they recall that away back in the early days there were no church bells, and

it was the practice when there was to be church services for a cryer to go through the streets calling out, "O-yez, O-yez, O-yez! There will be a meeting at early candle light tonight." In tenat early candle light tonight." In tender memory of those days the invitations to their golden wedding held at the Challiss home on August 1, 1900, were for "early candle light," and it proved an event that is memorable. After a reception, a second marriage ceremony was performed, the Rev. J. R. Comer officiating. Fifty years before the bride had three bridesmaids; one of whom, her sister, Mrs. A. G. Otis, was present at the golden wedding, but on her fiftieth wedding anniversary she had seven bridesmaids versary she had seven bridesmaids and three groomsmen, her daughters and sons, who preceded their parents and sons, who preceded their parents to the altar, and a finer looking fam-ily of parents and children never as-sembled in Atchison. The bride was dressed in white, and all her brides-maids were also in white and wore maids were also in white and wore marigolds in their hair. This was over seven years ago, and though the family was large, death has not broken the family circle. What a pity that the three absent ones cannot be pres-Dr. Challiss came to Atchison June 3, 1856, on the steamboat "Meteor," from 1856, on the steamboat "Meteor," from Moorestown, New Jersey, where he had been a practicing physician. In company with his brother, the late Luther Challiss, they operated a little river ferry for a time which was known as the "Red Rover." In the fall of that year W. L. Challiss went to Evansville, Ind., and contracted for the building of a steam ferry, bringing it to Atchison in November. That is, he started for in November. That is, he started for Atchison, but got caught in a freeze at Carrollton, Mo., and had to leave the boat there, bringing the crew to Atchison in two stage coaches hired for the purpose. He went back after the boat in February accompanied by Garren in February, accompanied by George Million, Granville Morrow and John Cafferty. They found the boat had cone adrift, and walked down the river after it, finding it at Arrow Rock, Mo., He went on down the river, meeting his family, who were en route to Atchison, in St. Louis. They came up on a boat, and when they reached Arrow Rock, the captain was induced to pull the ferry off the sandbar, and within four days it arrived in Atchison.

This was the introduction of the Challiss family in Atchison. The boat was called "The Ida," for Miss Ida Challiss, who became the wife of John A. Martin, editor of the Atchison Champion, colonel of the Eighth Kansas regiment, and governor of the state

two terms.
In 1860 Dr. Challiss built a larger ferry boat at Brownsville, Pa., bringing it to Atchison. It was called the "J. G. Morrow," and when it arrived in Atchison the government pressed it into service and sent it to Yankton with Indian supplies. Bill Reed was pilot and Dr. Challiss was captain. A quick trip was made to within several miles of Yankton, where the pilot ran the boat into a snag and sank it. The boat cost \$25,000, and nothing was saved but the

They are very nice to eat."
Harry Stuckley, Mauch Chunk, Pa.



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Challis Family of Atchison
Gather at Old Home Today.

Come From All Parts of Country
to Celebrate Christmas.

ARE KANSAS PIONEERS

machinery. Dr. Challiss continued to operate a ferry at Atchison until the bridge was built.

He and his wife are not far from eighty, are in splendid health, and have changed very little since they left Atchison. They possess a storehouse of knowledge regarding Atchison's early history, and are a very entertaining couple. They have twenty-four grand-children, and four great grandchildren, but fortunately for Mrs. J. M. Challiss, who is the hostess for this family party, few of the third and fourth generation will be present tomorrow. Dr. and Mrs. Challiss will remain in Atchison until the first of the year.

ATCHISON LANDS SELL WELL. Kansas City Capitalists Pay \$60,650 for Two Tracts.

First Business Was Operating

a Little River Ferry.

Atchison, Dec. 25.—Kansas City capitalists are buying Atchison county real estate. Deeds have been filed with the register of deeds for two transfers which represent \$60,650, and both purchasers are Kansas City men. The old Pomeroy section, two miles west of Muscotah on the county line, has changed hands again, Preston Hildebran buying it from Wm. Hillix for \$36,000. E. E. McCorkle, a Holton real estate dealer, engineered the deal, and it is thought that he made at least \$5,000 in commission, Another notice-\$5,000 in commission. Another notice-able feature in the transfers of the Pomeroy section is the fact that it has advanced greatly in price in the past sixty days. Two months ago, Hillix bought the land for \$20,000 from a St. Joe party named Auge-

The other real estate deal in which a Kansas City man figured was for five lots on North Third street and a half lot on Commercial street on which the D. E. Good wholesale house is located. Ann A. Parker deeded the same to Wm. Zimmerman, and the consideration was \$24,650.

FIRST PAY IN THREE MONTHS. Leavenworth City Employes Are Given Christmas Money.

Leavenworth, Dec. 25.-Wages the months of September, October and November were paid to the city employes yesterday. The money was employes yesterday. The money was advanced out of the general fund, which was reimbursed when the county treasurer placed the city tax col-lections in local banks to the credit of the city last week.

Checks were issued by City Treasurer Doege on the Leavenworth National and the Wulfekuhler banks amounting to \$9,000 and a greater part of it was drawn by the employes.

ARE GOING TO IRELAND. Two Atchison Men Will Tour Across the Emerald Isle Afoot.

Atchison, Dec. 25 .- Will Hayes and J. B. Purcell will leave the last of this week for Ireland, England and France to spend two months, if nothing pre-vents. They will sail by the White to spend two months, if nothing prevents. They will sail by the White Star line and will go to New York by way of St. Louis where they will visit a few days. Their plan is to walk across Ireland, not because they will have to, but because they want to and they each will visit the homes of their they will see the said they will see they immediate ancestors. They will spend a few days in London, and from there they will go to Paris.

Mine Company Files Mortgage Leavenworth, Dec. 25.—The Bright-on Coal Mining company has filed a mortgage with the county recorder giving a first mortgage on the prop-erty of the company for \$250,000 to the Bankers' Trust company of Kan-sas City, Mo., to secure an issue of 250 \$1,000 bonds. The old bond issue of \$80,000 has been taken up by the new issue. The bonds are 6 per cent interest payable semi-annually.

Leavenworth, Dec. 25 .- Over in the reenhouse at the state prison, two anana trees are bearing fruit. One has a large bunch upon which ar many well developed bananas. Th other tree has just begun to blossom. The



The authors of Adelaide Thurston's

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outlying islands, where the scenes of class. the play are laid. So true are the varlous characters drawn that it seems almost a certainty that they have been sea permeates the entire piece and the homely. God-fearing honesty that comes natural to those who live down close to the sea is brought out with wonderful effect. The people of the story are about evenly divided between fisher folk and city bred summer visitors, but it is the charm of the salt water and the simple, direct characters of Flotsam (Miss Thurston), her "daddy," old Cap'n Amos Barton, his dory-mate, Ben Cooke, and Joey, the fisher boy, that gets close to the heart, and take the story far away beyond the ordinary. The last scene of the third act where Flotsam prays, sentence by sentence, for forgiveness for her father, who is under the impression that he taken from life. The salt air of the

has committed a murder, with the broken down old salt following her word for word, is one of the strongest, most pathetic, most heart-gripping stage pictures that have ever been put into any play. Miss Thurston will be at the Grand this strengen and this at the Grand this afternoon and this evening.



Adelaide Thurston in "The Girl From Out Yonder."

Charles H. Yale's "Painting the Town" is an odd title for a road attrac-tion, and yet this musical extravaganza has made a fortune for its owners. The secret is mainly that it is popular with theater-goers, overflows with comedy and catchy songs. It has a large and pretty chorus and what is more remarkable each one can actually sing and dance. The comedy roles are in and dance. The comedy roles are in the hands of John F. Leonard and Will Halliday. Mazie King, Queen of Dancers, presents Utopia or the land of the fancy, a novel, new scenic specialty, and a distinct feature that cost the management over \$2,000. "Painting the Town" will be at the Grand on Thursday night.

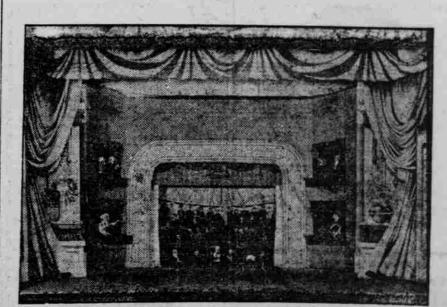
Bristling with new music, pretty girls and bright costumes, George Sidney will bring his new vehicle, "Busy Izzy, the Mazuma Man," to the Grand for performances on Saturday afternoon and evening. Sidney is well known to theater-goers, through his appearance the past four seasons, at the head of his own company, in the Hehrew characterization which won him fame and praise throughout the country. As an impersonator of Jewish character he has no agual. Set him among a large impersonator of Jewish character he has no equal. Set him among a large coterie of clever comedians and the fun resulting is fast and spirited enough to draw laughter from the habitual crank.

The appearance of Charles B. Han-ford in the role of Marc Antony, in Antony and Cleopatra, will be awaited with interest by every lover of the drama. Mr. Hanford has been fortunate in inspiring a double confidence in that he always is careful to preserve the human interest in his productions so as to give his performance all the feedingstons of a modern drams and at fascinations of a modern drama and at the same time avoid any cheapness of effect which would offend the Shake-spearean student. Having devoted his career to Shakespearean productions, he may, without undue presumption, claim to be a thorough student of the great poet, and he has hitherto shown fine discriminations in exploiting his plays in such a manner as to preserve their strongest popular appeal without sacrificing his position as an artist. Mr. Colds Cause Headache.

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Houses crowded to the doors is the rule for this week at the Majestic where one of the very best vaudeville bills that has been at this house during the season is presented. Wright Hunting-ton and his excellent company in a comedy sketch, "A Stolen Kiss," is the feature of the show and it has been a long time since such really clever actors have been seen here in vaudeville as those who participate in this little playlet. "The Raven Trio" seems to The authors of Adelaide Thurston's play. "The Girl From Out Yonder," Pauline Phelps and Marion Short, have lived all their lives on the coast of Maine, near by Terry's Harbor and the outlying islands, where the scenes of

Mantell's marionettes make a great hit at the Olympic. The wonderfully clever manipulations of the decidedly agile dummies provide a



Mantell's Marion